

## **APPENDIX Z**

### **AIRBORNE AND AIR DELIVERY OPERATIONS**

#### **A. GENERAL GUIDANCE**

The following provides general guidance for the conduct of airborne and air delivery operations. Service publications and references listed at the beginning of this regulation, Part III, provide more definitive guidance.

#### **B. AIRLIFT OPERATIONS**

Airlift operations involves the air transport and delivery of personnel, equipment, and supplies into an objective area. Airdrop or aircraft landing(s) may accomplish the delivery. Airlift operations may be comprised of:

1. Airborne Forces. An operation involving the air movement into an objective area of forces and their logistic support for execution of a tactical or strategic mission. For further information, refer to Chapter 8, Section I, of FM 100-27 USA/USAF Doctrine For Joint Airborne And Tactical Operations.
2. Air Delivery. Delivery of supplies and equipment by airdrop. For further information, refer to Chapter 8 of FM 100-27.
3. Aircraft Landing(s). Air movement in which personnel, supplies, and equipment land at a designated destination and are off-loaded for further deployment or distribution. For further information refer to Chapter 9 of FM 100-27 and Chapter 302 of this regulation.

#### **C. AIRBORNE AND AIR DELIVERY**

Airborne and air delivery follows the same concepts of airlift loading operations described in Chapter 302. There are two typical types of assault zone operations (airborne and/or air delivery locations); Drop Zone and Landing Zone.

1. Drop Zone: A pre-selected area for air dropping personnel, equipment, and supplies.
2. Landing Zone: A pre-designated airfield for assault landings.

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